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Examiner: C. SCHWARTZ  
Group Art Unit: 3683  
Docket: 9680.232US01

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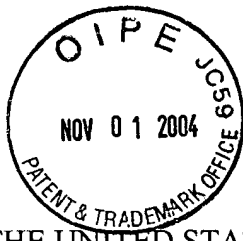
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.